

VILLAGE OF POMONA
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
NOVEMBER 14, 2005

ADOPTED JANUARY 23, 2006

A Board of Trustees meeting of the Village of Pomona was held at the Pomona Village Hall, 100 Ladentown Road, Pomona, New York at 7:30 p.m. on November 14, 2005.

Present

Mayor: Herbert Marshall
Deputy Mayor: Nick Sanderson
Trustees: Ian Banks
Alma Roman

Doris Ulman, Village Attorney
Sue Glantz, Village Clerk/Treasurer

Absent

Trustee: Alan Lamer

Summary of Motions

Deputy Mayor Sanderson moved to approve an expenditure of \$275.00 for the drainage work at the rear of the Cultural Center. Seconded by Trustee Roman. Motion carried 4-0.

Deputy Mayor Sanderson moved to have the chain link fence, including footings, along the front of the property, on Route 202, and the side of the property, along Camp Hill Road, removed at an expenditure not to exceed \$1500.00. The removal does not include the fence along the parking lot side. Seconded by Trustee Banks. Motion carried 4-0.

Deputy Mayor Sanderson moved to amend the resolution passed on September 26, 2005 naming Richard B. Phelan as the insurance agent for the Village of Pomona. The insurance agent for the Village of Pomona will be Hank Dassler of Grant, Smith and Dassler, Inc. Seconded by Trustee Banks. Motion carried 4-0.

Mayor Marshall moved that a letter regarding video service by a telephone company be sent to the New York State Public Service Commission. Seconded by Trustee Roman. Motion failed 0-3-1. Mayor Marshall abstained.

Deputy Mayor Sanderson moved that the uncollected Village taxes for the Village of Pomona be transmitted to the County Commissioner of Finance on or before November 15, 2005. Seconded by Trustee Roman. Motion carried 4-0.

1. Salute the Flag.

2. Committee Reports

A. Cultural Center

Ms. Sanderson is working on having e-mail installed on the computer at the Cultural Center. Trustee Roman suggested a subscription-type membership for the Cultural Center for non-residents. A lengthy discussion followed. Ms. Ulman stated a Board Resolution was needed if the subscription method is to go forward. Also, an overall policy needs to be in place regarding the subscription method. Mayor Marshall asked the Board to think about the matter and it will be on the agenda for the next workshop.

B. Recreation

The Halloween event was a big success. A copy of the post-budget report is attached to the Minutes. Mayor Marshall will be sending out letters to those who contributed to making the Halloween event a success.

Trustee Roman requested a date for the next Fish-In so the Committee could start work on it. Mayor Marshall will put the matter on the next workshop agenda.

C. Buildings and Parks

Trustee Banks reported that Chris Meredith has completed almost everything on the repair list, except the clean-up of the stream, which will be completed this week. The fallen tree in Fairty Pond has been removed. Trustee Banks received an estimate from Chris Meredith to install gravel and drainage work at the rear of the Cultural Center building. A price of \$575.00 was given to install the gravel and the drainage pipe to correct the problem. A gift of \$300.00 has been received from a resident for the gravel and an additional \$275.00 is needed to complete the work.

Deputy Mayor Sanderson moved to approve an expenditure of \$275.00 for the drainage work at the rear of the Cultural Center. Seconded by Trustee Roman. Motion carried 4-0.

Trustee Banks reported that about 50% of the ordered signs for the Village are completed. The "No Swimming" and "No Skating" signs have been installed at Secor Park. Similar signs will also be installed by the walkway. The "No Overnight Parking" signs still need to be ordered.

Trustee Banks has received four estimates for either removing the entire Village Hall fence or only replacing the damaged fence portion of the fence. Discussion followed regarding the removal of the entire fence and not replacing it, or just repairing the damaged portion. The matter of whether or not to replace the fence will be discussed at a later date.

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3. Old Business

Ms. Ulman reported that she has heard from both in-house counsel at United Water regarding the Ramapo hydrants and their outside-counsel. They have until December 10th to submit an answer to the lawsuit. She also has given additional time to the Town of Ramapo to answer.

Regarding the Halley Drive utility fence, there is nothing new at this time.

Mayor Marshall asked about the status of the Developer's Agreement. Ms. Ulman replied the developers still are required to maintain the roads in their subdivisions during the winter. She will follow-up on this matter.

Mayor Marshall raised the issue of the Village's insurance broker and/or agent as passed in a resolution at the September 26, 2005 meeting. Ms. Ulman commented that an amended resolution is needed to designate Mr. Phelan's new employer as our insurance agent and that NYMIR also needs to be notified of the change. She will write the letter to NYMIR regarding the broker of record for the Village's insurance coverage.

Deputy Mayor Sanderson moved to amend the resolution passed on September 26, 2005 naming Richard B. Phelan as the insurance agent for the Village of Pomona. The insurance agent for the Village of Pomona will be Hank Dassler of Grant, Smith and Dassler, Inc. Seconded by Trustee Banks. Motion carried 4-0.

4. New Business

Mayor Marshall distributed a letter from the NYS Local and Retirement System. Deputy Mayor Sanderson will review the matter and it will be further discussed at the November 28th meeting.

Ms. Ulman raised the issue of Highgate Development problems. There are four houses, in a row, not in compliance with the site plans and are creating drainage problems. The matter will be fully discussed at the next Building Department Meeting.

Cablevision has requested that a letter be sent to the New York State Public Service Commission regarding video service by a telephone company. Ms. Ulman recommended that the letter not be sent.

Mayor Marshall moved that a letter regarding video service by a telephone company be sent to the New York State Public Service Commission. Seconded by Trustee Roman. Motion failed 0-3-1. Mayor Marshall abstained.

The matter of joining the Intermunicipal Watershed Council was decided at the September 26, 2005 meeting. Trustee Alan Lamer and Village Attorney Doris Ulman will represent the Village of Pomona on the Council.

Extensive discussion was held regarding the problem of the sewer spur at the property of Alma Roman. The stub, when located, was broken and had to be repaired. The cost from sewer to the stub is to be paid by the Village, the cost from the stub to the house is paid by the homeowner. A bill was submitted to the Village in the amount of \$6600.00. Deputy Mayor Sanderson suggested that a third party should investigate the matter since Trustee Roman is a member of the Board of Trustees. Mayor Marshall will discuss the matter with the Village Engineer and reopen the matter at the next meeting.

Mayor Marshall asked for a resolution to forward the uncollected tax warrants to the County of Rockland.

Deputy Mayor Sanderson moved that the uncollected Village taxes for the Village of Pomona be transmitted to the County Commissioner of Finance on or before November 15, 2005. Seconded by Trustee Roman. Motion carried 4-0.

5. Office Period

Nothing at this time.

6. Trustee's Period

Trustee Banks inquired as to the definition of a "student". He also inquired about improvement to our recycle program. Could both paper and co-mingle be collected every week instead of alternate weeks. Mayor Marshall stated we would have to renegotiate with the carter.

Deputy Mayor Sanderson moved to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss matters of litigation. Seconded by Trustee Banks. Motion carried 4-0.

Trustee Banks moved to reopen the Public Meeting. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Sanderson. Motion carried 4-0.

Trustee Roman moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Sanderson. Motion carried 4-0.

Meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Malverne J. Toll